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1. Since 20 April 1951, special acceptance teams composed of a technical inspector, 2 rolling stock foremen and 3 administrative employees have been organized at the Frankfurt/Oder marshaling yard. [] these teams were to accept a total of 25,000 freight cars which are to be returned by the USSR to the Russian Zone of Germany. These cars are to be turned over at the Brest Litovsk-North, Brest Litovsk-Central and Gerdauen railroad stations; additional railroad stations will also be used for this purpose. The acceptance teams are to determine the type and extent of the damage suffered by these cars. The 25,000 cars are, allegedly, to be returned to the Russian Zone of Germany for repair.* On 27 April, two trains loaded with standard-gauge freight train axles were seen in Frankfurt/Oder proceeding in the direction of Brest-Litovsk.**

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2. Three thousand railroad car axles, including some new ones, are stored at the Berlin-Lichtenberg railroad station. From 14 to 21 April 1951, axles were loaded daily on gondolas and flatcars to be shipped to Brest-Litovsk. ***

* Comment: The imminent return of these freight cars was reported previously. See [] It is believed that these cars, many of them probably requiring repair, will be definitely returned to the Russian Zone of Germany.

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